

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4936**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, July 22, 2019, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the motions to invoke cloture filed on Thursday, July 18, 2019, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, July 22, 2019. **Page S4955**

Dickson Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Stephen M. Dickson, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration. **Page S4936**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Mark T. Esper, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Defense. **Pages S4936–37**

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Berger Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Wendy Williams Berger, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida. **Page S4937**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Stephen M. Dickson, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration. **Page S4937**

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Buescher Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Brian C. Buescher, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska. **Page S4937**

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 55 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 216), Clifton L. Corker, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee. **Pages S4925–31**

By 54 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 217), Lynda Blanchard, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia. **Page S4931**

By 66 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. EX. 218), Donald R. Tapia, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to Jamaica. **Pages S4931–33, S4936**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—218) **Pages S4331, S4936**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:09 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, July 22, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4955.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

2018 FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine agricultural research and 2018 farm bill implementation, after receiving testimony from Scott Hutchins, Deputy Under Secretary of Agriculture for Research, Education, and Economics.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Mark T. Esper, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Defense, and 1,231 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

EXPORT CONTROL REFORM IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine export control reform implementation, focusing on outside perspectives, including S. 1060, to deter foreign interference in United States election, after receiving testimony from Eric L. Hirschhorn, former Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security; Nova J. Daly, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Investment Security; and Ben Buchanan, Georgetown University Center for Security and Emerging Technology, Washington, D.C.

WATER SUPPLY INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded a hearing to examine opportunities to increase water storage and conservation through rehabilitation and development of water supply infrastructure, including S. 1570, to provide flexibility to allow greater aquifer recharge, S. 1932, to support water infrastructure in Reclamation States, and S. 2044, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to establish an Aging Infrastructure Account, to amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to provide additional funds under that Act, to establish a review of flood control rule curves pilot project

within the Bureau of Reclamation, after receiving testimony from Brenda Burman, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Wesley Hipke, Idaho Managed Recharge Program Manager, Boise, on behalf of the Idaho Water Resource Board; Wade Noble, Welton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District, Yuma, Arizona; Marshall P. Brown, Aurora Water, Aurora, Colorado, on behalf of WateReuse; and Melinda Kassen, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, Boulder, Colorado.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1273, to amend title 17, United States Code, to establish an alternative dispute resolution program for copyright small claims;

S. 1883, to improve the prohibitions on money laundering, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Douglas Russell Cole, and Matthew Walden McFarland, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, Robert Anthony Molloy, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands, and Kea Whetzel Riggs, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.